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IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING: Christmas came a wee bit early this year for some of the area's churches and non-profit organizations. It came in the form of some very generous donations from the Minden branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 636. President Maurice Winterflood, right, distributed cheques to the various groups on December 16. Seen here are: (front row from left) Jerry Rome for the Haliburton County Rescue Sleigh Group which received $500; Mike Maher for Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church which received $1,000; Louise Leonard for the CSSM Christmas Box Campaign, $1,000, Barbara Walford-Davis for the Minden Food Bank, $500, Dianne Loucks for CHACE Inc., $1,000. Back row, from left, the Minden Bible Church was represented by Pastor Terry Wicks, $1,000; St. Paul's Anglican Church, represented by Rev. Brian Parker , $1,000; Mary Hicks also from the Minden Food Bank; and the Minden United Church, represented by Rev. Peter Walford-Davis, $1,000. The money was raised by the Legion through various lotteries and projects.

Warden selected Tuesday evening

Three in a row for Fearrey

by Jerry Grozelle

Murray Fearrey has been elected Warden of Haliburton County for the third consecutive term. Fearrey was nominated by Jeanne Anthon, who noted that Fearrey had agreed to shoulder the burden on behalf of the county. Anthon expressed her confidence in Fearrey to lead the county into a year of unprecedented change. She said Fearrey has maintained a measure of humour over the past term of office, which has been appreciated.

Anthon noted that Fearrey first served as Warden in 1974. He is only the second person in county history to serve six terms as Warden and the second to have served three consecutive terms.

"He has added another element to our history," Anthon said.

"That doesn't mean I'm ever going to do this again," Fearrey retorted; to which, Anthon quipped, "You have to, until you get it right."

Elva Bates seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations for the position of Warden.

Fearrey thanked the members of County Council for their vote of confidence.

"I think this year is going to be an exceptionally busy year for us," Fearrey said.

Among the evening's guests was MP John O'Reilly, who offered his congratulations to Fearrey.

"On behalf of the government of Canada, we wish you well and thank you for taking an interest in your community," O'Reilly said. "It's a very trying time in our history, with the downloading. There are a lot of changes coming and as your federal representative I can offer support."

Warden's comments

"Life and change comes to us like a bullet these days, fast and unforgiving," Fearrey said. "County politicians and local politicians are no exception. The pressing challenge is change to get better, quicker. That applies to every walk of life and every profession.

"In these times, there are always amazing possibilities for people who rise to the occasion. In this term, on behalf of the people who put us here, that's what our council must do... rise to the occasion. I must rise to the occasion with you. The Warden can only lead. What we do, and what we accomplish, we will do together.

Fearrey asked the councillors which they thought was more important, the present, or the future.

"Obviously, it's the future, and that's what we must decide in the present," he stated. "As we face the challenges ahead, the real challenge for county council this year, probably more so than ever, will surface early in the year when we discuss the assessment, especially on commercial properties. There will be a lot of options for us. Some options will benefit some municipalities and will be detrimental to others."

Fearrey said it will be difficult, at times, for council members to think of the well-being of the county ahead of their own municipalities.

"I urge you to think about wearing your county hats, because what benefits you today, may not benefit you tomorrow. There are a variety of things happening and you must think about what's good for this county and the citizens of this county and not always what is isolated in your own community."

He gave the example of policing costs, noting that there may be some cost savings for some municipalities to pay their own policing cost, as opposed to paying through a county levy. He pointed out that municipalities such as Anson, Hindon and Minden, with its school and arena, would be expected to generate more police costs than neighbouring municipalities. But the neighbouring municipalities use the services which are provided in Anson, Hindon and Minden

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They didn't say "Stop"

Hospital projects continue on track

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board will be moving ahead with its capital planning in spite of the visit to the district of the provincial Health Services Restructuring Commission (HSRC).

The commission was in Peterborough last week examining the delivery of health services through the four counties of Haliburton, Victoria, Peterborough and Northumberland. Hospital boards and other stake-holders within the district were invited to make submissions to the board.

The HHHS was represented by Chair Hugh Nichol, past chair Paul Heffer, vice chair David Coulson and executive director Foster Loucks. The board's written submission outlined the extensive planning and work which had brought the HHHS into existence and its over-all vision for the development of the capital projects and an integrated health system for the service area.

During the board's presentation, the members stressed the need for a quick response, especially in regard to the capital projects. "The meter is running and we are proceeding with our architect to complete the drawings so that construction can begin in the spring," Nichol

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Garth Mole: Stanhope Citizen of the Year

Although he is quite sure that he doesn't warrant it, Garth Mole has been recognized by Stanhope Township as its 1997 Citizen of the Year. "There are lots of people who deserve this a lot more than I do," said Mole. "There are a lot of people who work hard in this community."

Mole is a native of the area. His parents once owned Loralea Country Inn at Halls Lake. After living in the city for a number of years, Mole returned to Halls Lake with his family about eight years ago.

He has been an active member of the Stanhope Township Recreation Committee for about five years. While on the committee, he has organized the Stanhope Lakes Slo-pitch tournament. In 1997 this tournament raised $800 for recreation activities in the township.

"It gets everyone together," said Mole. "I have talked to people after the tournament who say that they meet more people here than they have in the 25 years they've had a cottage here." According to Mole there has even been a bit of romance associated with the tournament, as two competitors met at the tourney and were married at the Stanhope Firefighters Hall.

Mole hopes to expand the slo-pitch tournament into a sportsfest day that will include horseshoe and tennis tournaments. He would also like to see more local residents participate. He has also worked to build an additional ball field as well as space to accommodate the Stanhope Soccer Program.

When the snow flies and the baseball season is over, Mole heads for the trails of the Haliburton County Snowmobiling Association and volunteers as a groomer operator. He is responsible for over 100 kilometres of HCSA trails in the county.

Mole also constructed the Stanhope Community Events bulletin boards located at landfill sites and other public places within the township. The boards are used to inform residents of coming events. He feels that this is the best way for the township to communicate with its citizens. "No matter how much money you have or how big your cottage is, you are going to have to go to the dump sometime," said Mole.

The Citizen of the Year has also been a volunteer with the Stanhope Fire Department for five years. He was recognized for bravery when he pulled two snowmobilers from Boshkung Lake in the winter of 1995.

Garth Mole is proud of the area and of the work he has done with the Recreation Committee, especially his work with the Stanhope Park. "It's not that much work and it is fun to see people enjoying themselves. It's the best park in Haliburton County. Frank (Barjarow, Stanhope Roads Superintendent) did a great job on the park. We are pretty fortunate to have that," said Mole.

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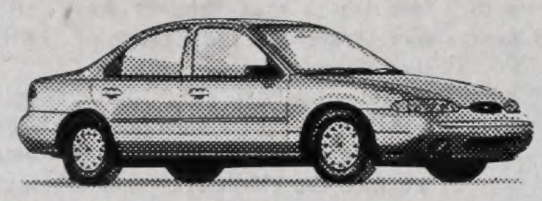

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McMahon banking on an experienced council

The challenges of the next three years were on the minds of Lutterworth Township councillors as they met for their first meeting of the new term December 9. Reeve Jim McMahon predicted the new term would be a difficult one. "We are fortunate here in Lutterworth because we have a lot of experience on this council," he commented.

Reeve McMahon and Deputy Reeve Lisa Mercer were returned by acclamation. All three councillors, Mike Wahlroth, Bill Valentine and Heather Hope, were incumbents who won their seats in a four-way race.

"I don't know where the province is taking us... the changes seems to be happening too much and too fast," McMahon said. "As members of council we must be here representing the interests of the voters, not our own interests," he told the inaugural meeting.

The reeve said some form of amalgamation appeared to be inevitable for the township, however he stated he is not in favour of one-tier government for the county. "The cost savings are just not there," he said, adding, "but I know we don't need 11 elected bodies to represent the people of Haliburton County.

Deputy Reeve Lisa Mercer said the council will need to take a serious look at amalgamation during the next three years and find what she described as a "level playing field where we can all agree."

Councillor Bill Valentine expressed some scepticism of the deputy reeve's statement, commenting, "That will be the day."

Wahlroth and Hope concurred with the reeve's assessment. Lisa Mercer commented that she was hopeful a county-wide agreement could be reached on the future of municipal government.

ANOTHER THREE YEARS: The Lutterworth municipal council jointly take the oath of office at the start of the inaugural meeting December 9. All were incumbents, with the reeve and deputy reeve, being returned by acclamation. Back for another term are, from the left, Councillors Mike Wahlroth, Bill Valentine and Heather Hope, Reeve Jim McMahon and Deputy Reeve Lisa Mercer.

Tough decisions ahead for county council

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and therefore should help shoulder the additional cost of policing.

"The point I'm trying to make here is that we are going to have to think a little broader than we have in the past. We have to do what's right for all of us in the long run. We need to look at the big picture now, not the picture we've been traditionally used to looking at.

Fearrey said the coming year could be a divisive one.

"However, I choose to believe that we can project into the future and decide first what is fair, and what is good for this county," Fearrey said. "And, if it's good for this county, ultimately, it will be good for the member municipalities and their citizens."

Earlier the same day, Fearrey and Bates attended a hospital restructuring committee meeting in Peterborough. He said his presentation seemed to be well received.

"There may be some delay because of this committee, but I urge this council to forge ahead and give the support it needs to the local health services board to carry on with its plans and be ready to tender (for hospital construction in both Haliburton and Minden) and not let anything stand in our way."

Fearrey said the county is committed to forming a county official plan, which will complement the strategic plan that was completed in 1997. He would also like to see the county forge ahead and implement the recommendations of the Fire Services Committee.

"They have done a lot of good work and deserve favourable consideration," he said.

Fearrey said he would like to see the ambulance services transferred to a management plan administered by the county.

"It's a busy year ahead and I look forward to working with you as a team," Fearrey said. "Try to remember this one thing -- the present is real time and real time is the only time. And this is one of the only times we will have to make some progress."

COUNTY COUNCIL 1998: from the left, front row, Reeves Elva Bates (Glamorgan), Warden Murray Fearrey (Dysart), Jeanne Anthon (Anson, Hindon and Minden); standing, Jim McMahon (Lutterworth), Eleanor Harrison (Stanhope), Ross Rigney (Snowdon), Bill Howe (Bicroft), Don Shortreed (Sherborne et al), Keith Tallman (Monmouth) and Doug Holman (Cardiff).

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Murdoch elected head of new education board

by Ariel White

Haliburton County's only seat on the new board of education will be at the head of the table. The inaugural meeting of the new English Language Public District School Board #15 was held on December 15 in Lindsay.

Cheryl Murdoch was unanimously chosen to become the first chair of school board #15. Muskoka Trustee Doris Monahan nominated Murdoch to the position. She was unopposed.

"It's something that I've worked for for 19 years," said Murdoch. "We are here for the kids and kids' education. I believe that if we all work together we can make this work. I think that we are going to have a good year."

The trustees also elected Bonnie Kennedy of Lindsay Vice-Chair, over Muskoka Trustee Doris Monahan. Kennedy is also an experienced trustee with the Victoria Board of Education. When elected as vice chair, Kennedy stated to Cheryl Murdoch, "I'll work very diligently at your side."

The new school board is comprised of nine trustees: Sharon Summers, Reid Scott, Judy Saunders, Bonnie Kennedy and Rick Johnson of Victoria County, Roger Chamberlain, Linda Matthews and Doris Monahan of Muskoka County and Cheryl Murdoch from Haliburton County.

After the swearing-in of the trustees and the election of chair and vice-chair, the school board approved its initial procedural by-laws. These by-laws are basic guidelines for conducting meetings, policies and procedures.

The board also approved the trustee's honoraria of $5,000 per annum. The chair will receive an additional $5,000 per year and the vice-chair will receive an extra $2,500.

Also discussed was the possibility of rotating meetings, in each of the three counties. Currently the school board's interim headquarters and meeting space is located in Lindsay. Many of the trustees hope to see the monthly meetings move to Muskoka and Haliburton as well. "This is something that we should definitely look at," said Cheryl Murdoch. She pointed out that the Local Education Improvement Committee (LEIC) had met in various locations and it had worked effectively.

The next board meeting is scheduled for January 13 at 7 p.m. It will be held at the education centre in Lindsay.

SCHOOL BOARD #15: The new school board held its inaugural meeting at the Linday Education Centre on Monday December 15. Front row: (from left to right) Vice Chair Bonnie Kennedy, Chair Cheryl Murdoch and Doris Monahan. Back row: (from left to right) Judy Saunders, Rick Johnson, Roger Chamberlain, Reid Scott, Sharon Summers and Linda Matthews.

New OPP office could be ready by end of February

The new OPP station in Minden could be operational by the end of February. That was the word from Sergeant Art Goard of the Minden/Coboconk OPP when he met with Lutterworth Municipal council December 9.

The sergeant was referring to the renovations currently being carried out to the Ministry of Natural Resources district office on Highway 35. The Minden detachment will be moving to that facility from its present locale just south of there.

Goard told the meeting that the partitions have been installed on the lower level and that wiring for computers was taking place. He expected a break in the work during the holiday season but that work should resume the first week in January. He said the extra work required to construct the holding cell is causing delays to the project.

The Minden detachment was combined with Coboconk two years ago as a cost-saving measure. While the officers continued to use the Minden facility, all administrative functions were moved to Coboconk. Public pressure and the effort of MPP Chris Hodgson resulted in the Minden facility returning to full operation in the building they will share with the Ministry of Natural Resources.

The meeting was also told that three new recruits would be added to the Minden detachment starting today (December 22) bringing the complement up to four officers per shift. He said it was hoped that over the next three or four years the detachment strength will return to its traditional levels.

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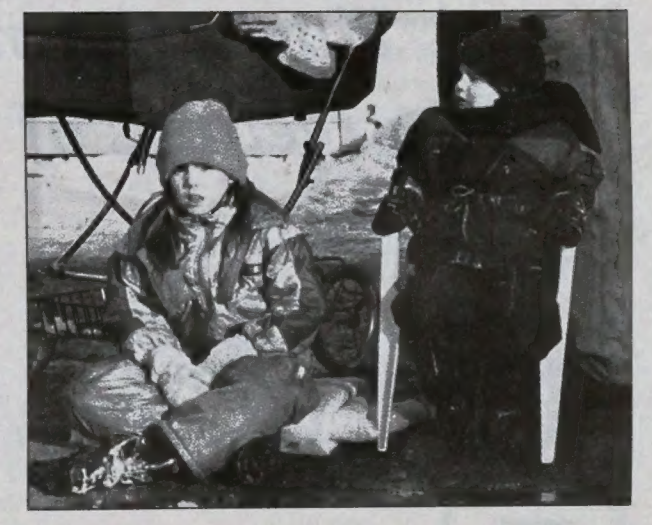

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Not present in photo are Ted Vasey & Bill Jordan.

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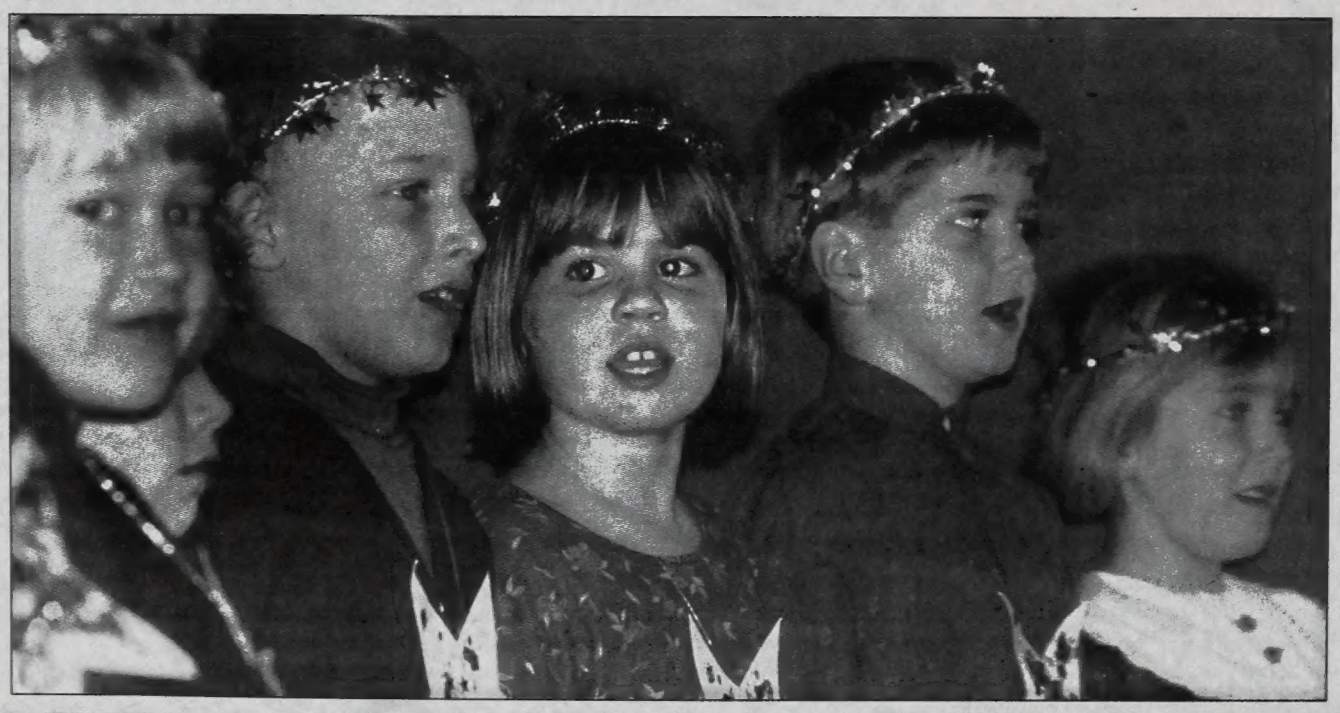

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Giggles and giving

by Marci Mandell

Perhaps there is a more wondrous sight, but tonight I'm overcome by the beauty of the full moon shining over the lake and bringing life to the surrounding blanket of snow. The light is so overwhelmingly luminous, it's like being on the set of a Hollywood movie.

"QUIET ON THE SET!" Not a sound.

It's as if the earth and all of her inhabitants are waiting for the director's next cue: "ACTION".

But it doesn't come.

Instead of a movie being filmed, there is one being played back on the screen-like snow-covered cliff.

It's a story without words because words aren't necessary and often only get in the way. It's a story about everyone who can read this ...if we choose it to be.

Dim the lights. "ROLL FILM".

There was a child. He loved to giggle and he loved to give joy. He was a beautiful child and he grew strong and healthy. There was something about the glow of this child, for he reflected back all the love he was given. People who knew the child found themselves smiling in the middle of the day for no reason. They were just happy.

Needless to say, they loved to be around this child and give him things, lots of things. The child flourished. The people flourished. The child glowed. The people glowed. Everyone was giving things away, yet everyone had everything they needed. These were prosperous times.

Then the child left on an adventure and the townspeople soon stopped giving so freely. They stopped smiling too...except for one little girl. She couldn't stop giving or giggling. The child was gone from the town but not from within her. She continued to give. Then the people of the town started to give to her because they soon saw that same glow in her.

The giving started again. And the joy. And the prosperity. Then it was time for the girl to leave town on her adventure.

Again the giggling and giving stopped...except this time three more children kept joyously giving. People were now attracted to them and gave to them and gave to each other. And soon it was time for these three children to leave, and so they did. By this time, the townspeople were so used to giving it didn't matter that the children had gone on to their adventures, for now they realized giving was part of who they all were. This joy had grown to become second nature to them.

Then the first child came back after his adventure. The young man's clothes were tattered and his arms all scarred. He had survived many tests and he learned from them how strong he really was. And he went into his satchel to find something to give his parents to thank them for all he knew he had received. But the satchel was empty. All he had to give was a hug. And he stood tall and he gave his parents a hug from his heart. And they were all filled with joy.

The movie's over and surprise, there's a happy ending. But does the story have to end there?

I think every child is born to giggle and give. It's a part of who they are - who we are: give, giggle, give. These are natural responses. If it's so natural, though, how does it happen that we stop giggling and giving. Does someone tell us it isn't good to do this anymore? But it happens, doesn't it? Children become overwhelmed by the dilemmas they face, and instead of giggling and giving through them, they begin to take things to fill up the void that fear creates.

But this time of year, isn't it great, everyone is giving and giggling again. For a few weeks out of every year we remember these instincts. And everybody feels great! Is it possible that this season a few people will come to truly understand the act of joyously giving and carry it on throughout the year? Is it possible that even one will? Is it possible that that one person is you?

Perhaps there is a more wondrous sight, but tonight I am overcome by the beauty of my family and their love for each other.

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Arthur Black

Arthur explains the Air Force

Sometimes I worry about the readers of this column. Take Alex Murdoch of Fredericton, New Brunswick. Last week, Alex mailed me a...brochure, I guess we'll have to call it. With the brochure, Alex included the following covering letter:

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But let me mention one word about 'gas' and ka-boom! Strong editors lunge for their blue pencils and little old ladies from the Queen Charlotte Islands to Joe Batt's Arm recoil as if hit by an Eric Lindros cross check.

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On the Street

by Times Staff

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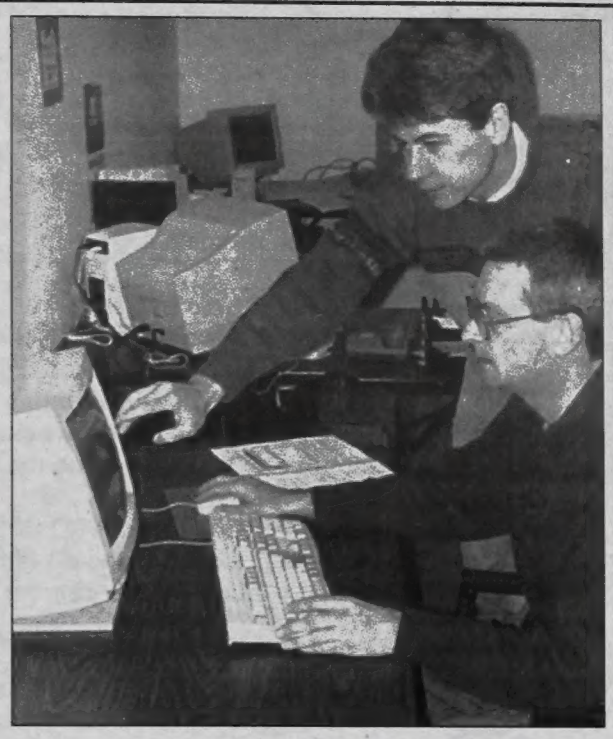

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Sports

Memorial Bonspiel

The annual J.O. Jackson Memorial Men's Curling Bonspiel is scheduled for Saturday, December 27 at the Minden Curling Club

Redmen defeat Falcons 6-2 and Griffins 5-1

by Jerry Grozelle

With two more games under their belt, the Redmen hockey team has added four more points to its total.

The Redmen scored 11 goals over the two games, allowing the opposition a total of three.

Redmen 6, Falcons 2

The December 16 game in Fenelon Falls saw the Redmen dominate the host squad, coming home with a 6-2 victory.

Haliburton got off to a slow start, scoring just one goal in the opening frame. Darren Mills was the marksman, from Ryan Anderson.

The Redmen added two more in the second period before the Falcons got on the scoreboard. Anderson gave the Hal High squad a 2-0 advantage 38 seconds into the period, with Mills and Dave Clark assisting. Ryan Simioni connected for the third Haliburton marker with 6:08 left in the middle frame. Steve Ecclestone and Jason Henry assisted.

Fenelon made its mark on the scoreboard with a single reply with just over four minutes left.

The Redmen added one more before the buzzer sounded to end the period. Josh Dennis was the sharpshooter, from Matt Burk and Jarrett Rowden.

Fenelon drew first blood in the third period, cutting Haliburton's lead to 4-2.

It took the Redmen about three minutes to get that one back. Ecclestone did the honours, with Simioni drawing an assist. Anderson rounded out the scoring, notching his second of the game with 2:1 remaining. Dennis and Clark assisted.

Redmen 5, Griffins 1

The Thomas A. Stewart Griffins came to Haliburton for a rare afternoon game December 17. It was a banner day for Matt Burk. He scored a hat trick, leading the Redmen to a 5-1 victory over the Griffins.

Burk notched his first goal 21 seconds after the opening faceoff. Josh Dennis and Jarrett Rowden assisted. That was the only goal of the first period.

Burk scored his second goal of the game at the 1:37 mark of the middle frame. Philip Daniels set that one up.

The Griffins kept the game interesting by cutting the Haliburton lead in half before the end of the period.

The third period belonged exclusively to the Redmen. They added three unanswered goals to the home side of the scoreboard for the 5-1 win.

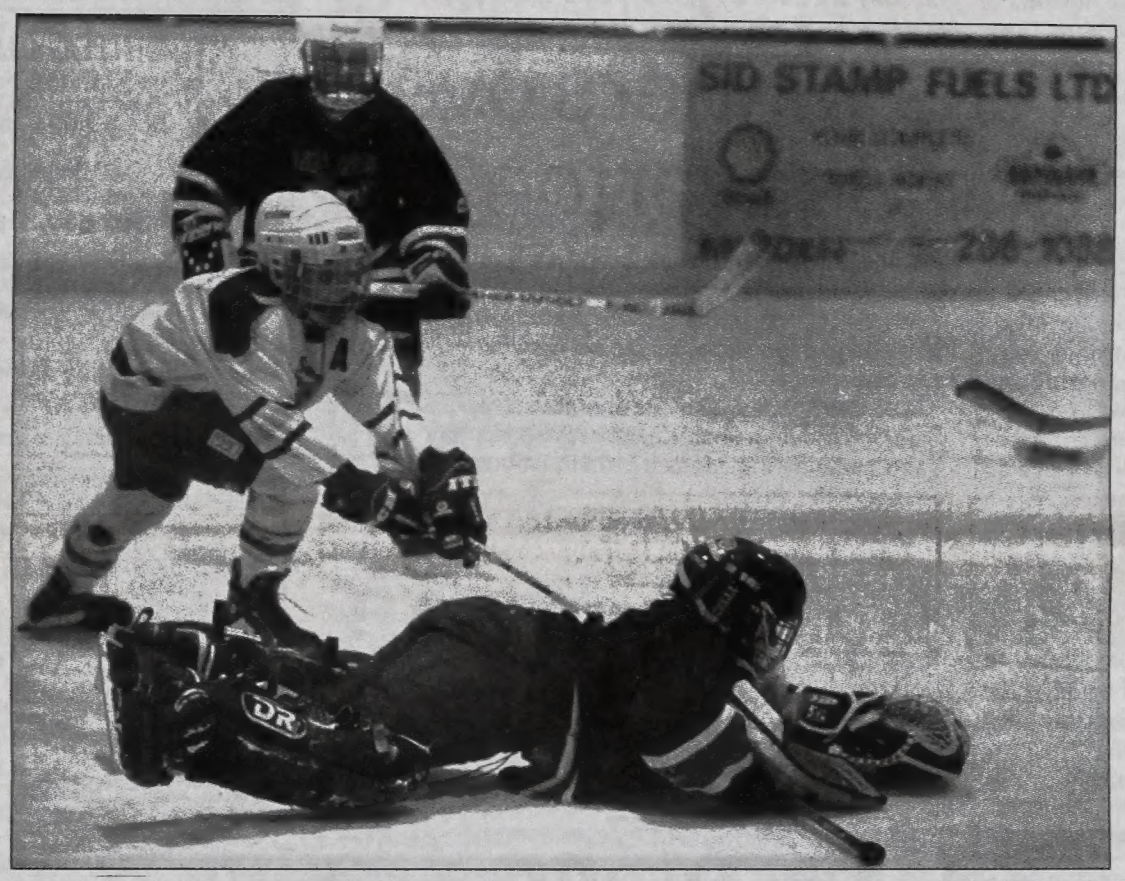
Rowden notched the fourth Haliburton goal with 8:03 remaining in the game. Jason Henry and Corey Casey assisted. Twenty-four seconds later, Nick Kulas padded the Haliburton lead on a set-up from Matt Burk. Burk rounded out his hat trick with 4:47 left, from Rowden and Kulas.

The Redmen hockey team won't see action again until January 7 with a game in Lindsay against the Weldon Wildcats. The Redmen will participate in a tournament in Peterborough on January 9. The next home game will be January 14 when the Lakefield College School team will provide the opposition.

Peewees earn 7-2 victory

Minden's Peewee A Monarchs skated to a 7-2 victory over Cannington Saturday in Minden. Jordan Campbell and Ben Carpenter notched two goals apiece, with singles going to Greg Vanderlip, Philip Greer and Jamie Colliss. Justin Walker picked up two assists, while Greer, Kevin Walker and Kolt Smith, who was recruited from the bantam team for the game, had one each.

A week earlier, the Monarchs tangled with Omemee. The score was the same, but it was Omemee coming out on top. Campbell and Carpenter were the snipers for Minden against Omemee. Vanderlip and Lance Aggett earned assists.



SPRAWLING SAVE: The Omemee netminder dives out to smother the puck during the December 13 game in Minden. The Monarchs gave up a 7-2 decision to the visitors but made up for it by beating Cannington 7-2 Saturday.

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1997-98 season looks bright for Hal High Nordic ski team

by Coach Griff

Our local school ski team went to its first race of the season at Hardwood Hills on December 16 and came home with some strong results. In preparation for hosting the Ontario Championship this season, the 37-member Nordic ski team is starting its competitive season early this year. With some excellent veteran members and lots of keen beginners, coaches Bruce Griffith and Sharon Dibblee are very excited about this year's team.

Last week's race was very competitive, with over 700 of Ontario's best competing. Our junior girls, led by Carrie Heyes and Katherine Hagerman, who both placed in the top 30 out of over 150 competitors, are looking forward to another golden season. They are joined by Jordana Bain, Erin Fearrey, Kelly Ketner, Katie Woods, Kristie Bowskill-Bolin and Laurie Turner. The senior girls'team is destined for glory this year as both Ainsley Heyes and Amanda Duncombe placed in the top 30 in a very competitive field. They are joined by other strong veterans Amy Ellis, Caitlin Pettit, Stephanie Ratz, Amy Wood and Jenn Turner.

The senior boys team is benefiting from experience and hard work with veterans Matt Heffer, Keven Hurley, Ryan O'Neil, Danny Wright, Mike Barbour and Ian MacKenzie leading the way.

The junior boys team, although small in numbers is big in heart and ready for a winning season. The team is led by Brock Ladurantaye and Daniel Morgan.

Look out for these rookie skiers at the top of the results columns in future races: Adam Bathe, Aaron Hindman, Liz Brown, Meredith Brown, Chris Ratz, Erica Ainsley, Jenna Benoit, John Heffer, Amanda Manser, Camilla Pettit, Megan Landry and Grade 8 sensation Matt Hindman!

Support your local team at the 1998 ski races in Haliburton at Glebe Park on January 24; the Haliburton Invitational on February 6; the Kawartha Championship on February 11; the COSSA Championship on February 22, 23 and 24; and the OFSAA Championship and Ontario Winter Games.

Atom A Monarchs winners over Bobcaygeon and Beaverton

The Minden Atom A Monarchs came home from Bobcaygeon with a 5-3 win on December 14.

The Bobcaygeon squad kept pace with the Monarchs for the first half of the game. But Minden went ahead for keeps midway through the second period and added one in the third on the way to a 5-3 win.

Aaron Keaney, an alternate player up from the Novice A Monarchs, opened the scoring for Minden 53 seconds after the opening faceoff. Kolt Smith assisted. Just over a minute later, Andrew Bull scored, from David Petch and Aaron Keaney, to give Minden a 2-0 lead.

Bobcaygeon closed the gap to 2-1 midway through the first period and with 1:43 left in the frame, the home team got back on even terms.

Darrin Brown put Minden into the lead again at the 2:59 mark of the second frame. Mark Fisher and Jeremy Upton set up the go-ahead goal.

Bobcaygeon came back less than a minute later to tie the game again.

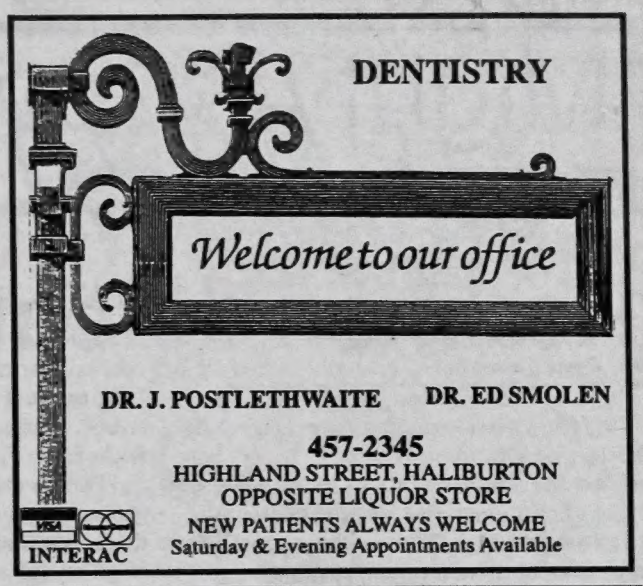
With 4:12 left in the middle period, Brown notched his second of the game. Smith set up what proved to be the game winner.

The third frame saw Bull score his second of the game, assisted by Sean Keaney. That was the last goal of the game as the Monarchs held Bobcaygeon at bay to reserve the win.

Minden 2, Beaverton 1

Three days earlier, the Monarchs hosted Beaverton. After falling behind 1-0 in the second period, the Monarchs rebounded with two unanswered goals in the third to snatch the victory away from the visitors.

Kolt Smith scored the tying goal midway through the third, from Evan Kernohan and Darrin Brown. Less than two minutes later, Mark Fisher netted what proved to be the game winner, from David Petch.



Mighty Tykes earn first win

The Mighty Tykes of Minden will be more competitive for the rest of the season. The team struggled through the first part of the season, going winless until they were reclassified from Major Tyke to Minor Tyke status.

In their first game under the new category, the Mighty Tykes played host to Fenelon Falls on Sunday, December 14. The match-up ended with the Minden team's first win of the season.

The visitors were first on the scoreboard, four minutes into the game.

A minute and one second later, Todd Simms scored the equalizer for Minden, assisted by J.J. Kerr and Taryn Robins. Two minutes later, Jared Mills notched one, giving the Monarchs their first lead of the season. Dean Hutchinson and Alex Cray assisted.

The Mighty Tykes remained in front by a single goal until late in the second period. That's when Mills netted his second of the game, giving Minden a 3-1 advantage. Hutchinson and Ryan Smith set that one up.

Simms opened the third-period scoring for the Monarchs, notching his second of the game. Ryan Kerr and J.J. Kerr assisted.

Even though the Fenelon team had just eight skaters and a goalie, the visitors weren't about to give up without a fight. They closed the gap to 4-3 with a pair of goals a minute and 10 seconds apart.

With 29 seconds left in the game, Simms rounded out his hat trick to ice the game for the Mighty Tykes! Jason Chapman and Taryn Robins drew assists on the insurance goal.

Junior Boys Basketball

Redmen split against two Lindsay teams

by Matt Reid

The Junior Redmen basketball team travelled to Lindsay on December 15 to face the tough I.E. Weldon Wildcats. After a slow start, the Haliburton boys picked up the pace a bit, but were unable to regain the lead they had given up.

The Redmen decided they had better come out little more fired up in the next game on Thursday against the LCVI Spartans.

The redmen came out pumped up but got down early because of an intense Spartan press in the first half. The Haliburton boys finally started to break and press in the third quarter, accumulating some points in the process. By the end of the third quarter they had a 37-30 lead. The redmen continued to play hard in the fourth quarter, going on to win by a 51-45 score.

Jesse Sternberg had another great game with 14 points. Perry Belekoukias hustled and picked up 11 points and Andrew Graham had a big game with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

All team members hustled and cheered for the win.

The next home game is after the winter break, on Thursday, January 8 against Fenelon Falls.

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High single (handicap): Eric Stearns 257; Gwen Cox 274
High triple: Maurice Winterflood 536; Bea James 577
High triple (handicap): Maurice Winterflood 683; Bea James 748

Monday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 232; Michelle Moore 200
High single: Walt Stegmaier 268; Michelle Moore 297
High single (handicap): Walt Stegmaier 278; Teresa Clement 331
High triple: Walt Stegmaier 616; Michelle Moore 697
High triple (handicap): Al Clement 663; Teresa Clement 795

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Fred Cox 218; Cathy Snell 218
High single: Chris Robinson 277; Cathy Snell 311
High single (handicap): Chris Robinson 339; Cathy Snell 317
High triple: Fred Cox 643; Cathy Snell 776
High triple (handicap): Al Eskelin 684; Cathy Snell 794

Wednesday Night Men's League

High average: Scott Moore 240
High single: Bill Payne 300
High single (handicap): John Whitely 303
High triple: Len Punt Sr. 733
High triple (handicap): Paul Raposo 762
Bill Payne bowled his first 300 game at the Centre.

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Jerry Warren 201; Eleanor Lymer 175
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High triple (handicap): Ray Lymer 742; Alice Smallwood 705

Thursday Night Mixed League

(December 11)
High average: Walt Stegmaier 217; Joan Rivard 185
High single: Dan Rivard 279; Carol Gilligan 246
High single (handicap): Dan Rivard 298; Carol Gilligan 291
High triple: Walt Stegmaier 704; Carol Gilligan 580
High triple (handicap): Ed Cox 744; Carol Gilligan 715

Curling Club plans New Year's bash

by Sandy Cole

Time is running out! Don't forget your tickets for the New Years party at the Minden Curling Club. Get your tickets from an executive member or at the club bar. Everyone is welcome to come out and ring in the New Year.

Don't forget to come out and participate in or watch the J.O. Jackson Memorial Men's Bonspiel on December 27. For information on this event, call Stan Dutka at 489-2005.

On behalf of the club, I would like to extend best wishes to all for the holiday season. See you at the New Years Eve bash.

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Melanie Vigrass 10, M.J. Irwin ?
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Zelda Cooper 8, Pat Woodcroft 7

Tuesday Night Mens

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Ted Wilkes 11, Mark Lund 3
Dwight Thomas 9, Don Blakey 1
Dan Garbutt 9, Mike Whitmarsh 5
Jim Garbutt 12, Bob Pollard 2

Thursday Night Mixed

Dianne Whitmarsh 10, Paul Prentice 8
Bob Pollard 10, Ross Davies 6
Ted Wilkes 17, Doug Brown 4
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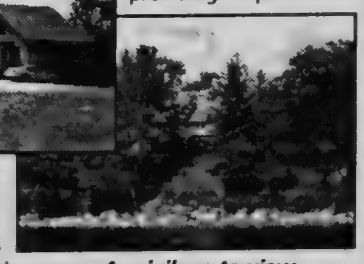
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Consolation finalists

Atoms edged 2-1 in overtime at Sundridge tournament

A heartbreaking overtime loss robbed the Minden Atom A Monarchs of the consolation championship at a tournament in Sundridge on December 13.

The Monarchs started the tournament with a 4-2 loss to Gravenhurst.

After a scoreless first period, both teams scored twice in the second frame. Gravenhurst put the game away with two unanswered goals in the third.

Sean Keaney and Mark Fisher were the Minden snipers, scoring just 20 seconds apart. Darrin Brown and Andrew Bull each picked up one assist.

Ryan Cole earned a shutout as the Monarchs blanked Powassan 4-0 in the second game. Minden scored two in the first period and added two more in the third.

Evan Kernohan notched both of the third period goals, with Kolt Smith and Jeremy Upton netting one apiece in the first frame. Sean Keaney, Dave Petch, Evan Kernohan and Darrin Brown each picked up one assist.

The win over Powassan set the stage for a showdown with Parry Sound for the consolation championship.

Parry Sound got on the scoreboard first with the only goal of the second period.

With 2:12 showing on the clock before the end of the third period, Kernohan scored an unassisted goal, sending the game into overtime.

The consolation hardware went to Parry Sound, with the overtime goal for the 2-1 win.

Bantams double Cannington

Jarrett Rowden scored a hat trick, leading the Bantam A Monarchs to an 8-4 win over Cannington on December 17 in Cannington.

The home squad remained in contention through two periods of the hockey game, but the Monarchs turned on the afterburners and outpaced Cannington four goals to one in the third.

Cannington appeared to be in control early in the game, scoring the first two goals within a minute and a half of the opening faceoff. But the Monarchs responded with a pair of quick goals of their own to knot the game at 2-2. Rowden notched the first Minden goal at the 3:02 mark, from Justin Bull. Twenty-four seconds later Gavin Simms scored the equalizer on an unassisted effort.

Minden took the lead for the first time when Simms notched his second goal of the game a minute and 48 seconds into the second period. Bull assisted.

Cannington got back on even terms with a goal midway through the period.

Before the middle frame was over, Minden pulled in front again with a goal by Mitch Johnson, unassisted.

Rowden scored his second goal of the game at the 3:13 mark of the third, with the assist going to Gary Kernohan. Gaten Davis made it 6-3 in favour of Minden with an unassisted goal and Shane Walker increased the Monarchs' lead to 7-3. Davis set that one up. With 1:57 left in the game, Rowden rounded out his hat trick on a solo effort.

Cannington showed some mettle, scoring the last goal of the game with 52 seconds remaining.

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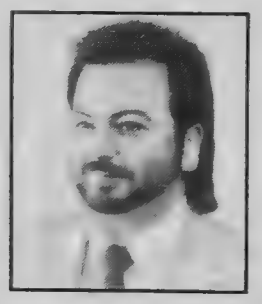

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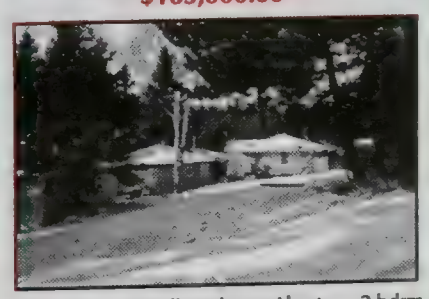

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HSRC does not blunt board's determination

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said after the meeting.

"I got the feeling they were aware of our situation," the chairman commented. "We explained our situation (about the ongoing capital works) and I think the good news is that the commissioners didn't say 'stop'. We made them aware of how far along we were and how important it is for construction to begin this spring."

Nichol said he feels it is important for the governance of the health services to remain under local control, especially with the proposed amalgamation of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Council with the Durham DHC. He said he was concerned that the Highlands area which, because of its distance and rural nature, may be "lost" in the new district health council structure and added that a strong locally controlled governing body will ensure that the health planning which has been accomplished up to this point will not be lost.

The plan to proceed with the capital projects was endorsed at a committee meeting Thursday evening. "It is important we maintain our momentum and the public commitment," the board's press release concluded.

Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey and Glamorgan Reeve Elva Bates (who is also a member of the HHHS board) were part of a delegation of municipal politicians who appeared before the HSRC. "I felt we were fairly treated," Fearrey said following the meeting. "I felt positive about the response we received from the board to our concerns. I think they understand what our situation is here."

The local politician were part of a group which included the wardens of Peterborough and Victoria counties and the Mayor of Peterborough.

Aware of needs

During a press conference held Tuesday morning at the District Health Council office in Peterborough, the two commissioners, Hart MacDougall and Donald Thornton, indicated an awareness of the special needs of the Haliburton Highlands. They said they recognized the impact of the large number of seasonal visitors on the health services, the rural nature of the area and the large distances people had to travel as well as the fact this area has become a popular retirement area and therefore has special needs which reflect the proportionately larger elderly population.

"We are aware of the sense of urgency some of the people in your area feel about the projects and will be taking that into consideration," one of the commissioners said.

While the HHHS is looking for a speedy response from the commission, commission CEO Mark Rochon said the report would likely not be available until at least the end of March. However he noted that a study currently under way throughout the district, which is attempting to tie together the medical services, will be a valuable tool in helping the board make its decisions. It was suggested that the report on rural and northern health services be completed as quickly as possible for the commission.

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Stanhope committee appointments

The following is a summary of several items discussed at the December 10 meeting of the Stanhope municipal council.

Councillors appointed to 1998 Municipal committees

Reeve Eleanor Harrison announced appointments for council representation to the Stanhope municipal committees for the new term. Deputy Reeve Murray Daniels will sit as council envoy on the Roads, Airport, Waste Management and Fire Department committees. Councillor Ann Barker will work with the Recreation, Fire Department, Health and Safety committees as well as the Board of Adjustment.

Councillor Jim Hicks will represent council on the Board of Management, the Roads and the Heritage and Museum committees. Newly elected Councillor Tom Gardner will sit on the Board of Management, as well as the Recreation, and Waste Management committees.

Reeve Harrison will be working with the Roads committee, and the Cemetery board.

The reeve talked about the importance of regular attendance to all committee meetings, as well as setting the meetings on regular dates. "Stress the importance of regular meetings, I mean a scheduled time and day for convenience, and stick with it. On a monthly basis, I think that once people get used to it, it will work well. People will be able to schedule time for the meetings in advance," said Harrison.

Council backs county-wide fire services communication system

The council discussed the possibility of a county-wide fire service communication system. Several presentations have been made throughout Haliburton County to various councils about the system, which would cost an estimated $60,890.78. The new integrated system would be capable of handling fire calls, ambulance calls and in the future, 911 emergency calls.

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Stanhope backs county-wide communications system

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marked over $18,000 for the project and calculated that Stanhope's contribution to the project would be just over $4,000. Stanhope Firefighters would also need to purchase radios to make the new communication system compatible with the current setup.

Council felt that this was a very exciting project that would be of great benefit to not only the township, but to the entire county. "This is one time that we have to look at the county as a whole," said Eleanor Harrison. "The overall benefits outweigh any growing pains we might have at first. Our (fire chief's) monthly report shows that most of our calls are emergencies and this system can only improve this."

Deputy Reeve Murray Daniels said he felt that this would be a great opportunity. "It is my hope that this council will approve this move and I hope that county council will as well," he said.

The council voted unanimously to support the communication system which will be purchased from Williams Communications of Peterborough.

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Clergy from local churches have extended an invitation to area residents to worship during the Christmas season at the church of their choice.Seen here at the Minden Community Christmas tree are: from left, Reverend Judith Merritt-McKay of Put the Word into Action Ministries Inc.; Father William Fellion of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church; Pastor Terry Wicks of the Minden Bible Church; Reverend Brian Parker of St. Paul's Anglican Church; Pastor Robert Power of the Allsaw Pentecostal Church; and Reverend Peter Walford-Davis of the Minden United Church.

Heart Catheter campaign reaches the halfway point

The Heart Catheter Fund had reached the halfway mark of its campaign thanks to a $400,000 anonymous donation. The campaign is hoping to reach 1.9 million to build a heart catheterization lab in Peterborough that will serve the Counties of Haliburton, North Hastings, Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria.

Catheter fund Volunteer Linda Willcox-Whetung said that this large donation was a positive boost for the fundraising campaign. "We continue to receive tremendous community support and this donation speaks to how seriously people in Peterborough region are taking this issue." she said.

According to Dave Smith, also a Catheter fund Volunteer, more than 1400 patients leave the area and travel to Kingston, Ottawa, Sudbury or Toronto to have the outpatient procedure done.

"People in our region suffer or die because they must wait too long for this test," said Linda Whetung. "We are placed on waiting lists at Metro or other hospitals and can lose our place on that list two or three times because we are bumped by in-hospital emergencies. The patient to whom we lose that place isn't necessarily sicker, they are just in the hospital so they get treated first."

The hope is that with the construction of the catheter lab, local area hospitals will save tremendous amounts of cash as patients will not have to travel long distances or take up hospital beds while waiting for the procedure.

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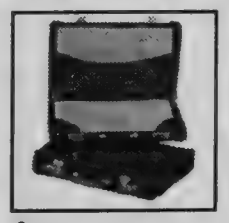

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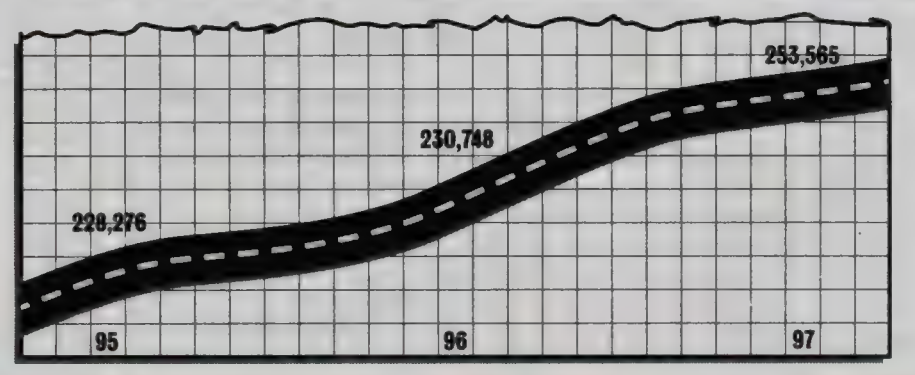

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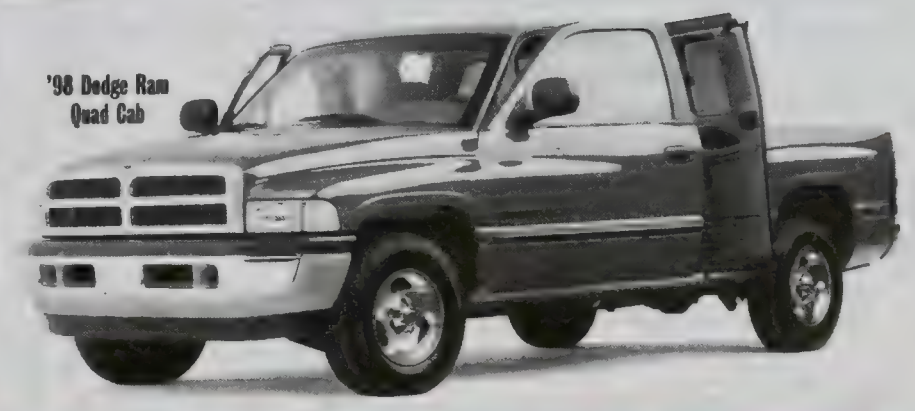

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The savings targets are far more modest than some big cities, which must find more than four-percent savings in their budgets. Still, there is plenty of work to be done locally and I am determined to continue supporting our local leaders.

Ultimately, both levels of government will be more efficient and accountable. Furthermore, this exchange will help the province control education costs and will ensure those costs are frozen-we won't see the property-tax hikes that drove Haliburton's education taxes up 129 percent in the last ten years and Victoria County's education taxes up 120 percent.

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Estella Burch and Georgina Parkes present a cheque for $500 to Barry Cray of the Minden Hospital Building Fund on December 9. The money was raised by the Minden 636 Seniors group which is open to Minden residents over the age of 50. The Minden hospital fund is very close to $150,000 according to Cray.

Compensation forms available for Victoria County parents

The Victoria Board of Education has received word from the provincial government that Bill 161, the Fairness for Parents and Employees Act 1997, has been passed into legislation. This bill allows parents, who incurred extra expense for daycare for their children during the recent Ontario teachers strike, to apply for compensation.

Any parent or guardian who wishes to apply for restitution may pick up an application form at any Victoria County school following the Christmas break. Receipts will not be necessary for reimbursement, but may be required by Revenue Canada for tax purposes.

The deadline for completed applications is January 16, 1998. Parents of children aged 13 or under, as well as special needs children, are eligible for compensation. Parents may only claim for the ten days on which the strike took place. Teachers are not eligible for the compensation.

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HHSS decked out for the holiday season

By Jamie Read HHSS student reporter

For the past few weeks, Haliburton Highlands High School experienced some exciting new changes. The halls of the high school were completely decked out with Christmas spirit and cheer. Everything, and I mean everything, was decorated with Christmas themes.

On the weekend of December 13, members of the student council spent many hours decorating and preparing the school for the holidays.

One especially special effort was that of OAC student Meggan Winsley. Along with the many other paintings and quotes on the walls along the halls, Winsley designed an extraordinary mural (which included a notable quote) for a large portion of a wall.

"It took me about 5 hours to do it all," said Winsley.

Theatre project

Another important issue which is currently in the works is the fundraising for the school in order to transform the soon-to-be former girls gymnasium into a new performing arts theatre. Since they cannot receive any money from the government for the proposed theatre, the school board signaled a green light for the fundraising.

Seats in the theatre are being sold at $750 each and corporate (front row) seats will be sold at $5000 each.

In memory of late Haliburton Highlands High School student Bob Sisson, who was greatly involved and a star of the local theatre, a seat front row, centre, has been dedicated to him.

"We dedicated a front row centre seat to Bob because that's where we want him to be every time we are there." says Bryn Gray, student council co-captain and major force behind the efforts for the theatre.

If you would like to support the theatre or would like more information, please call Caryl Moulton at 754-1919.

Other exciting upcoming events which are coming up in the future include a Dance-a-Thon, where the students attending have to dance all night long without any sleep. All proceeds will go to the theatre fund.

January will be a relatively quiet month. The students' council is keeping things low key due to the upcoming exams.

Expect February to be a pretty exciting month though. Student council members are organizing a "Movie Night" at the high school where they can order a large video screen for students to watch a relatively new movie.

The student council is also trying to hire a hypnotist for a school assembly.

"Something different and fun for the students." says Gray.

There is another spirit week coming up with 5 different theme days like 70's theme day, "crazy hair" day, pyjama day etc.

Student council co-captain Susan Carr says,

"I think this year's SAC is really working hard and we're helping to produce a lot of the spirit that helps our school run."

Meggan Winsley with one of her many designs which have been painted on the HHSS hallways.

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P.O. Box 569, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
or fax to: 750-286-4819
We thank all whose who express an interest.
However, only those awarded an interview will be contacted.

Santa entertains kids at Branch 636

Bonjour!

Christmas is almost here and a lot of little people are getting very excited. When the kids get out of school they forget about everything except the holidays, so drive extra carefully at this time of year.

At our branch the holiday hours are: Closed December 20 6 p.m.; Closed Christmas Eve 6 p.m.; Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day; New Year's wide open. Note: Our kitchen will be closed Christmas through January 2, 1998.

Cub's Indian Lore on Diapers...??

Disposable diapers go back a lot further than 1908. For hundreds of years, the James Bay Cree have used moss as disposable diapers, drying it (the green turns brown using this process) and then saving it for suitable occasions. It is biodegradable, cheap, soft on sensitive skin and easily disposable. They still follow the practice and summer visitors to Moose Factory and Moosonee can see the moss drying on the clotheslines.

Santa Party

The Ladies Auxiliary held their annual Santa Claus kid's party at the branch on Sunday, December 14. As usual it was a huge success. The Legion was full of wide eyes to see Pete the Magician perform wonderful works of magic. Then the big moment came when the big jolly guy in the red suit arrived! Santa had gifts for all the kids and enjoyed conversations with some.

The little ones were served ice cream and chocolate milk. It was a great party and on behalf of the branch, once again, thanks to our L.A. ladies for another terrific job.

Cub's Chuckles

The young man stopped his car on a lonely country road, reached for the girl and made the usual advances. Pushing him away she said, "I hate to tell you this, but I'm a prostitute. The price for my services is $20.00."

The fellow reluctantly paid her for her accommodation. Afterwards he sat silently behind the wheel,

Service Clubs
by Alan (Cub) Coneybeare

making no effort to drive away. "Why aren't we going?" she asked. "I hate to tell you this," he said, "But I'm really a cabbie and the fare back to town is $25.00."

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Two men on Death Row were scheduled for back to back executions. On the appointed day the Warden asked if there were any last requests.

"Yes Sir," the first said, "I'd like to hear 'Achy Breaky Heart' one more time."

"And you?" the Warden asked the second prisoner.

"Please," the second condemned man pleaded, "Kill me first!"

Member profile

This month's profile is of a lovely, hard-working lady I've known most of my life: Irene Clayton Moore.

Irene is a proud woman and so she should be. She is the mother of four fine offspring and their spouses, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Her's is a military family, with two sons in the Royal Canadian Navy (retired), one daughter in the Royal Canadian Air Force (retired), one daughter is an R.N.A. and to top it off, she has a grandson in the Navy as well.

Irene is a natural Canadian with English and Irish ancestry.

Irene Clayton Moore was born in Montreal six months before the end of World War I.

"As father was a missionary, we lived in many places: Armour, Port Lambton, Pelee Island, Walpole Island, Muncey, London then Minden. All my public schooling was at the Walpole Island Indian School. I came to Minden 62 years ago and was married 61 years ago to William Moore. I belonged to many organizations: a Life Member of Women's Institute and U.C.W. Canvassed for many buildings and one interesting note, when the present Arena was built, I was told that the person doing town canvassing could get no response from one of the doctors here at the time and would I try. No problem, as I was one of his patients. The response I got was "When the roof is on, come see me." I was visiting in Toronto later and met the roofers. The head man told me they had finished the roof the night before. When I came home, I went to the doctor and told him the roof was on and asked for a cheque for $500.00. (Ha Ha).

"I am still involved in the Women's Institute, the Legion 636 Auxiliary, and my great love, the Museum. I've worked for almost 20 years toward getting the museum this far.

"I still live in the same house on the same street as I have for over 60 years."

Thank you Irene for an interesting Profile.

Thanks to my thousands and thousands of avid readers for putting up with my excellent jokes this year. I think the coloumn will appear in 1998.

So Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Joyeux Noel-Feliz Navidad!

Thanks! Cub.

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIPS OF ANSON, HINDON & MINDEN

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF the Municipal Act; and

IN THE MATTER OF a proposed by-law of The Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden to stop up, close and convey portions of Newcastle Street, Seymour Street, and Teesdale Street, on Registered Plan No. 1, being the Town Plot for Minden, in the Townships of Minden, in the County of Haliburton.

WHEREAS, said portion of Newcastle Street, Seymour Street and Teesdale Street were originally stopped up and closed by By-law No. 75-34 and due to certain errors or omissions, the Council for The Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden deems it necessary to consider another By-law.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of The Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on January 22, 1998 at the hour of 7:00 p.m., a by-law to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

Part of Newcastle Street shown on Town Plot being registered Plan 1, designated as Part 10, Plan 19R-688, Part of Teesdale Street shown on town Plot being registered Plan 1, designated as Part 11, Plan 19R-688 and Part of Seymour Street shown on Town Plot being registered Plan 1, designated as Parts 13 and 14, Plan 19R-688, all in the Township of Minden, in the County of Haliburton.

The plan of survey is available for inspection in the Municipal Office, at Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Township of Minden, this 22nd day of December , 1997.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
(705) 286-1260

Residents enjoy tour to see area Christmas lights

Senior League
The Roving Reporters

It is hard to believe that Christmas is so close and 1998 will be here before you hear from us again. It is lovely to see all of our guests and families who come in to see us with their good wishes and happy smiles at this season.

On Sunday December 15, Olive and Wendell McPhail were here to entertain us with Christmas Music and Rev. Burgess came for his regular pastoral visit.

On Monday we had several games of bingo with special prizes because of Christmas.

On Tuesday Father Parker came with members of St. Paul's choir to share in a Christmas service for us. In the afternoon, in our craft time, the residents were busy putting on an extra push to finish off the Christmas Day table decorations that make our Christmas dinner.

We were pleased to have Hilary come in to pretty our nails for the holidays. In the evening we were entertained with carol singing by the Rev. Burgess and the Minden Bible Church group who provided a lovely lunch afterwards.

Wednesday evening we had our annual tour of the Christmas lights. For two hours we toured Minden and surrounding area to see the magical way people decorate their homes for all to enjoy.

Special mention to Joe Rivers and Donna Wallace's homes that were particularly attractive as well as John Pentney's home where we were treated to seasonal goodies that we very much enjoyed.

Today we say goodbye to Terry Carr who has worked in the office here for eight years and who is leaving for a full time job at The Pines, in Bracebridge. We wish her well in her new endeavours.

Winnifred Barnum had an enjoyable visit with her niece Betty Barnum, a major in the Salvation Army in Toronto, whom she had not seen for several months.

Our head reporter is busy finishing her Christmas shopping this week and our column is being put together by another volunteer whom we thank very much.

Today, the Grade 12 Drama class from HHSS will provide a dramatical presentation to entertain us at Tea Party, that is being provided by the ladies of Minden Legion to which we are looking forward with great anticipation.

We extend Christmas wishes to all our readers near and far. You will be hearing from us again after the New Year.

Winnifred, Lola, Muriel, Walter & Robbie
The Roving Reporters.

Minden W.I. members enjoy a festive luncheon

The December 17 meeting of the Minden Women's Institute at the Terrace took the form of a pot luck luncheon. After the singing of the grace, all enjoyed the delicious food from the buffet, including great desserts. What good cooks we have in this group! Helen Skelding thanked us for having her to this meal.

The roll call was answered by 15 members and four guests, all giving readings, verses and good wishes in the holiday season.

We have a new Birthday Box and several put in their pennies and we sang happy birthday to Maud, Shirley and Helen. We gathered $15 in our box last year.

Irene Moore reported sending 14 cards on a variety of occasions, not forgetting Hyland Crest and Extendicare. Pennies for Friendship were taken and we also had our 50/50 draw with the winner being Jessie Preston and second prize of Sand Dollar was won by Bea Berry. This latter gift was decorated by Rita Barid and thanks to her. We are making our annual donation of $50 to the Christmas baskets. The President Jean Cox thanked Jeanne Sears for arranging this festive meeting in the lounge and applause followed.

The next meeting will be held on January 21 at the Library Cultural Centre at 1:30 p.m. with special collection for our Card Fund and programme with convenor Shirley Cox on Agriculture. All ladies are welcome.

Jeanne Sears, P.R.O.

NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF STANHOPE

The Municipal Office will be
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Wednesday, December 24, 1997
until
9 a.m., Monday, January 5, 1998.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

County of Haliburton
Christmas Office Schedule

The Department of Social Services, Administration, Land Division and the Roads Department will be closed for the Holidays commencing Christmas Day and will reopen January 2, 1998. The Roads Department telephones (705) 286-1762 are answered 24 hours per day in the case of an emergency.

We would like to wish everyone a healthy and happy holiday season and all the best in 1998.

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For further information, please contact Sandy Lawrence, C.P.P., Director of Purchasing (705)749-5554.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH
PUBLIC NOTICE

File # SR-14/97

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Lutterworth, proposes to enact a by-law to stop up, close and convey to the abutting property owner a portion of the original allowance for road set out and described as follows:

FIRSTLY: ALL and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Part of Lot 23, Concession 7, and being more particularly described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6426.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 22nd day of January, 1998, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Township of Lutterworth this 15th day of December, 1997.

Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Township of Lutterworth,
P.O. Box 850,
Minden, Ontario,
K0M 2K0

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH
CHRISTMAS SEASON CHANGES IN OPERATIONS

COUNCIL MEETING CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of Lutterworth Council normally scheduled for December 25th, 1997 has been cancelled.

Lutterworth Municipal Office
OPEN

Monday, December 22, 1997	8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Tuesday, December 23, 1997	8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Wednesday, December 24, 1997	8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Monday, December 29, 1997	8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Tuesday, December 30, 1997	8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Wednesday, December 31,1997	8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Lutterworth Landfill Sites
OPEN
Little Gull Landfill Site (Deep Bay Road)

Wednesday, December 24, 1997	10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sunday, December 28, 1997	10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wednesday, December 31, 1997	10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sunday, January 4, 1998	10:00 am to 4:00 pm

AND
Iron Mine Landfill Site (Davis Lake Road)

Sunday, December 28, 1997	10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sunday, January 4, 1998	10:00 am to 4:00 pm

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T..,
Clerk-Treasurer.

Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4425)

Three days until Christmas! In those homes were children reside, the excitement must be reaching a fever pitch! I remember when my daughters were little. I remember when I was little and awake what felt like all night,before the big day! To all those children, full of anticipation; to all the parents living through it, best wishes for a wonderful Christmas!

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Apologies are due. Last week I got some last names wrong! In the item about Carnarvon Bowling, I named Joyce Spencley incorrectly and misspelled John Whitty's Sr. last name! It was a matter of misreading my own writing! I'm learning I must make good notes when taking phone messages! Lets hope this week is better! Let me know if it isn't.

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This item in from Marion Hill--my great neighbour:

Looking for something to do during the holidays ahead? You could join "The Ski Friends of the Frost Centre," for a great day outdoors, cross-country skiing, on Saturday, December 27, (alternate date,January, 3). They have 22 km of groomed trails. For the day there will be specially priced passes for non-members: adults-$5.00; 17 years and under-free! You can take a break in the heated shelters while enjoying hot chocolate! For trail conditions update call Anu at 705-489-4414 or Shirley at 705-766-0240 before 8 a.m. On December 27. Now that sounds like a great idea!

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Last week, December 10, at the Stanhope Firehall, Bid Euchre had some great scores. There was also one moonshot! Bob McConnell 311; Ken Young 284; Stan Hill (my great neighbour) 273; Grace Dixon 276; Pat Roussel 267; Lottie Ruttan 232.

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The Minden Library will be closed from to-day, December 22, to January 5, 1998. It will be business as usual starting on January 6, 1-5 p.m. (That's my first mention of the new year!).

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Seniors Bid Euchre at the Minden Legion on December 16 was a great day. High scores were Norm Thompson, Irene Fuhr and Marie Dennie. The hidden score was won by Bess Cox and the moonshots were won by Kay Smith and Norm Thompson.

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Lochlin Community Centre, also on December 16, had these winners: ladies' high, Isobel Saunders; men's high, Chris Hill; ladies' low, Joyce Schellenberg; men's low Earl Schellenberg; lone hands, Gerald Hicks.

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Cathy Wallington called to say that last night's Old Fashioned Carol Sing at the Lochlin United Church was a huge success! The church was absolutely filled to the rafters! This had been Cathy's dream to see the church filled like that with happy carollers. There is nothing more wonderful than for a dream to come true! People there expressed interest in having other sing-a-longs through the year. Perhaps in February for Valentines Day! I can't think of a better thing to do during that cold month of February! Anyone who is interested, please call Cathy at 286-6574.

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On December 11, the Minden Legion Euchre group had the following scores. Most lone hands: ladies, Barbara Kenneth; men, Jack Chilton; high score-ladies, Sherin Brown; men, Marcel Roussel; low score--lady Verna McDonald; man, Truman McNeil; othe prizes, Orval Francis, Norm Lee, Gala Stamp and T. Kenneth.

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St. Paul's Friendship Club had a good day on December 15. Most lone hands was won by Jeanne Sears; high lady, Iris Taylor; high man, Harvey Bunker; 50/50 draw, Norm Lee. Katie Parker wants today's gathering to be a good one for the Christmas season. At press time Katie didn't know yet what form that would take except there would be a pull for your partner! The group will not get together on December 29, but will be back together in the new year!

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Club 35 had their last get-together on December 15. They will meet again on January 5, 1998.(There's that new year mention again!). On the last evening gathering of 1997, the scores were; 50/50 draw, Cecil Lee; lone hands, Murray Daniels; high lady, Rhoda Woolner; high man, Cecil Lee; low lady, Verna Sawyer; low man Wally Harper; Baloney, Harry Randell.

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Marion Hill just dropped off another item, (I told you she was a good neighbour!). Now the group from the Stanhope Firehall won't have to wait to see their results from December 17. As Marion writes; following a delicious pot luck supper the Bid Euchre scores were as follows: Ladies' high, Gala Stamp, 244; Edith Burch, 241; Katie Parker, 239. Men's high, Norm Lee, 280; June Branning, 267; Marcel Roussel, 247. Marjorie Cowen successfully completed two moonshots. The group wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and great cards in 1998! (there it is again!).

* * *

Someone submitted a poem to remind us about what can go wrong when a new pet is given at Christmas time. (I'd prefer that people would put their name on items they send in for print. A poem is something to be proud of!)

ALONE AGAIN

I wish someone would tell me
What I've done wrong.
Why I have to stay chained up
And left alone so long.
They seemed so glad to have me
When I came as a pup.
There were so many things we'd do
While I was growing up.
They couldn't wait to train me
As a companion and a friend.
They told me they would never fear
Being left alone again.
The children said they'd feed me
And brush me every day,
They'd play with me and walk me
If only I could stay.
But now the family hasn't time,
They often say I shed,
They do not want me in the house
Not even to be fed.
The children never walk me,
They often say "not now".
I wish that I could please them
Won't someone tell me how.
All I need is love.
I wish they would explain
Why they said they wanted me
Then left me on a chain!

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I am not feeling as panicky this week! My shopping is finally done! That fact alone feels good. It feels especially good this year because I did it all in Minden! I have two favourites, one of which is a child's disposable camera I think my 3 year old grandson will like! I wonder what pictures he will want to take? The other one is truly a wonder. I bought it at the Pritchard House for one of my daughters. It is a beautiful silk purse handcrafted by Chris Stender. To look at it takes your breath away. To hold it is amazing because it is so light it feels like gossamer. I can hardly wait for my daughter to see it because I know she will appreciate it.

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Merry Christmas to you all! I don't know what form this column will take over the holidays (if it takes a form at all) so it might be the New Year before we meet again. I hope in 1998 you all keep doing things so this column will be filled up with all the interesting things that happen in and around our county town!!

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PERSONALS

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Love, Simone.

CARDS OF THANKS

The Friends of Sir Sandford Fleming Foundation would like to publicly thank the many volunteers and businesses who made our first fundraising dinner, "A Feast of Foods" a resounding financial success. The real wonder of the evening was that so many contributed. The monies raised through this event will be matched by the Ontario Government and are to become our part of the Ontario Student Trust Fund which distributes the bursaries. With increased tuition fees and fewer financial options, there will be a greater need to support students through Scholarships and bursaries. Attendees at the function were given a first glimpse at an architect's model of a future campus. The chefs were the stars of the evening. The foods they prepared showcased talents that can't go unappreciated after such an event. They were Chris Carl, The Old Country House; Ron Tenthory and Alex McCracken, The Chocolate Mousse; Chris Boux, Sir Sam's Inn; Chris and Dianne Letard, Domain of Killien; Darrel Howie, PineStone Inn; Carlos Fuenmayor, Wigamog Inn. Assistance was most ably given by Janet Crary, Joel Grossman, David Chambers and Rob Andrus. Most of the menu was able to be prepared at Sir Sam's Inn courtesy of the owner, Jim Orr. A great deal of energy and masterful organization resulted in an incredible variety of delicacies served to an appreciating crowd.
It is a long list of acknowledgements: to Marcus Carl, the Old Country House and Eco-tourism students Joanne Halcovitch, Graham Borgdorff and Jennifer Poole as volunteer bartenders; to High School students Jordanna Bain, Kristi Bowskill-Bolin, Elizabeth Brown, Jocelyn Eastmure, Alexandera and Victoria Fenninger and Konan Wendt as waiters and waitresses; to the Bishop Family who surrendered the Ski Lodge
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to be turned into a restaurant; to Angela Reid and Sheila Rowle who acted as hostesses; to Butcher Block, valu-mart, Kawartha Dairy, Strano's, Magnotta Wines who either donated or gave at cost food for the menu; to Sir Sam's Inn, Wigamog and PineStone who offered tablecloths and napkins; to Lindsay Cleaners who donated all the cleaning; to the Legion Ladies Auxiliary who supplied the dishes. There were also ticket sellers, ticket-takers, bookkeepers, decorators, transporters of goods.
With the proceeds from the "Feast of Foods" we have realized to date approximately $88,000 with matched dollars to the Trust Fund. Further donations to the Fund can be made by phoning 457-1680, Sir Sandford Fleming College. A sizeable fund will ensure that we have a strong student assistance program for future students to attend our campus.
Carole Finn.

We would like to express our thanks to the members of the O.P.P. for their efficient and prompt service to us after our recent break-in. Due to their efforts, we got back what was stolen. Thank you again O.P.P.
Millie Boskett,
Muriel & Cliff Green

The Staff at The Times once again wish to thank Marg Miller for adding to their waistlines. The butter tarts were, as always, yummy Marg. **Thanks a lot!**

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With its gentle, peaceful touch,
So sweet the warmth within
Of its playful, youthful rush.
It took me to the crimson lights
The sharpness of its tongue
Souvenirs of love and life
Those days when we were young.
We surged on high-the breeze and I
To heights of grand acclaim
Souls entwined, of single mind
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McLEAN, Jean Eleanor - In loving memory of my beloved wife who left us December 20, 1987.
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One dream, that would come true
I'd only beg with all my heart
For yesterday, and you.
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I miss you and I love you.
Mac.

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